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Re: Salem Media of Virginia, Inc.

WWRC (AM), Washington, DC Facility Identification Number: 8681

Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed January 27, 2011, on behalf of Salem Media of Virginia, Inc. ("Salem"). Salem requests modification of the special temporary authority ("STA") granted October 23, 2009, to operate Station WWRC with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. In support of the request, Salem states that it is in the process of renovating the phasing and coupling equipment and that it will be replacing the pattern switching equipment. Salem states that it will be necessary to operate nondirectionally for approximately 30 days in order to complete this phase of the project.

Our review indicates that the proposed modification of STA complies with the technical provisions of Section 73.1635, which governs operation during modification of facilities. However, due to the increased risk of interference to other stations, nondirectional operation will be authorized only on an "as necessary" basis. In view of the scope of the ongoing project, STA also is extended the maximum statutory term of 180 days to provide time for completion of the work.

Accordingly, the request for modification of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station WWRC may continue to operate with parameters at variance and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. Operation with a temporary nondirectional antenna and reduced power not to exceed 1.25 kilowatts also is authorized, only as necessary to facilitate the antenna construction work. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Salem must notify the Commission when licensed

¹ WWRC is licensed for operation on 1260 kHz with 5 kilowatts daytime and 5 kilowatts nighttime, employing different directional antenna patterns daytime and nighttime (DA-2-U).

operation is restored.² Salem must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on July 31, 2011.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: Salem Media of Virginia, Inc.

² See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).